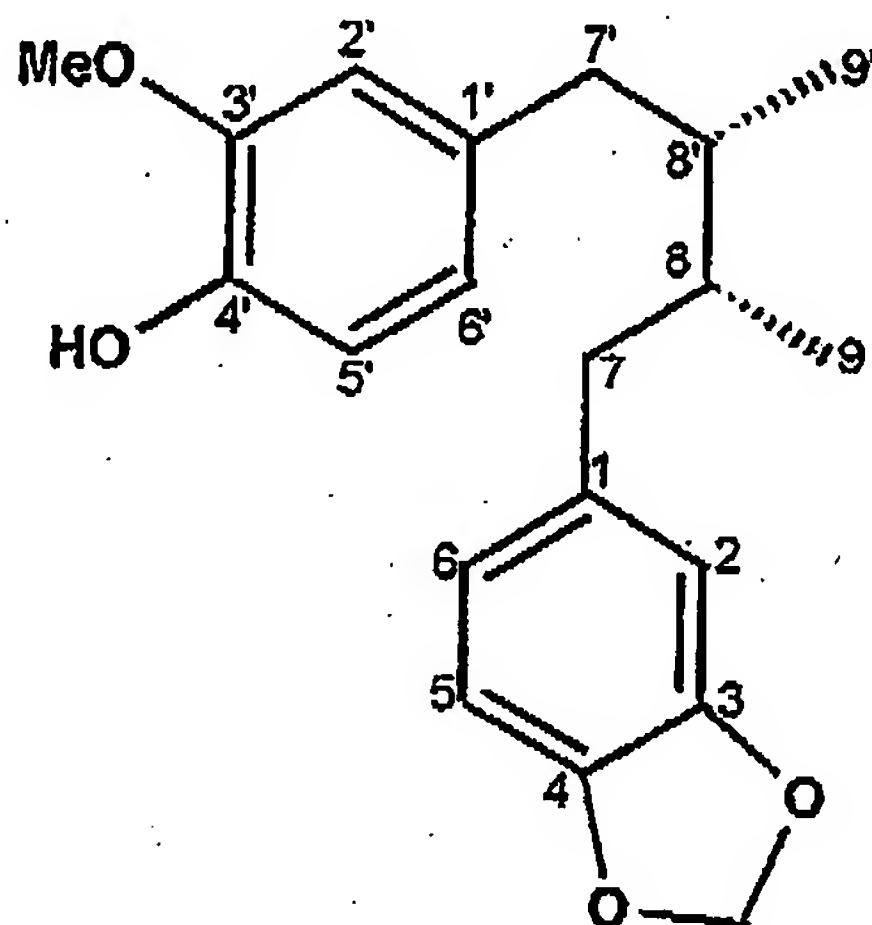


In the claims:

Please cancel claims 7 and 8 without prejudice. Please amend claims 4 and 5 as follows:

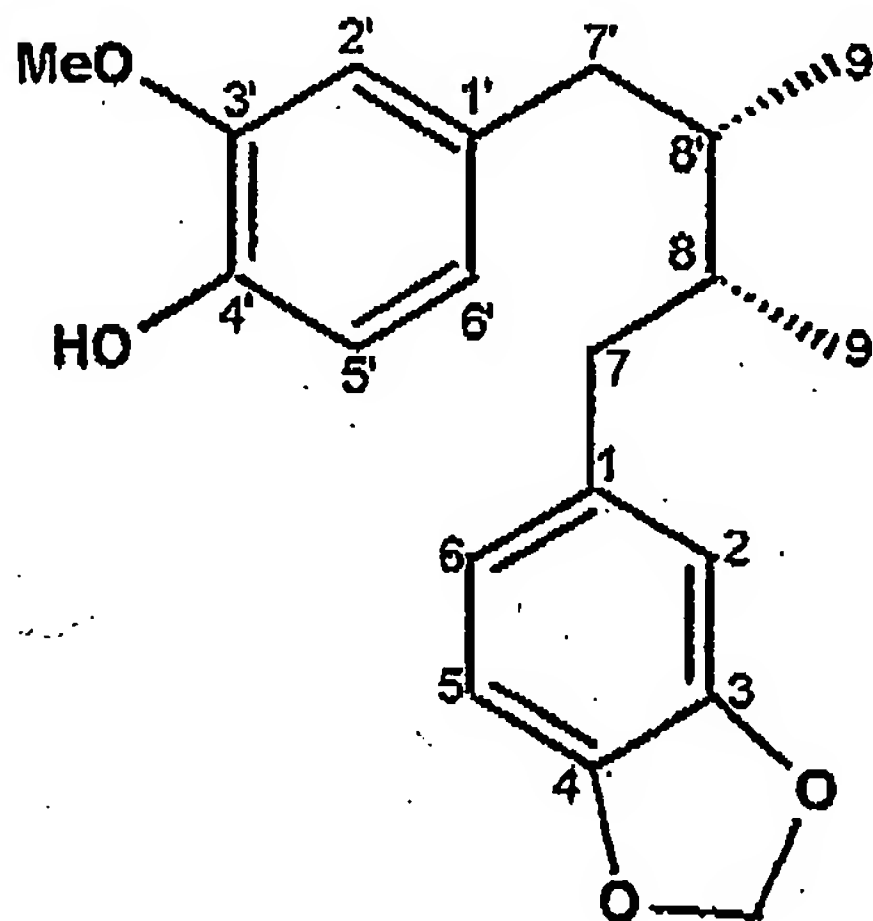
1. An antibacterial composition against acne-causing bacteria selected from the group consisting of *Propionibacterium acnes*, *Staphylococcus epidermis* and *Staphylococcus aureus*, the composition containing macelignan represented by Chemical Formula 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salts:

[Chemical formula 1]



2. A composition for treating acne, comprising macelignan compound represented by Chemical formula 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salts:

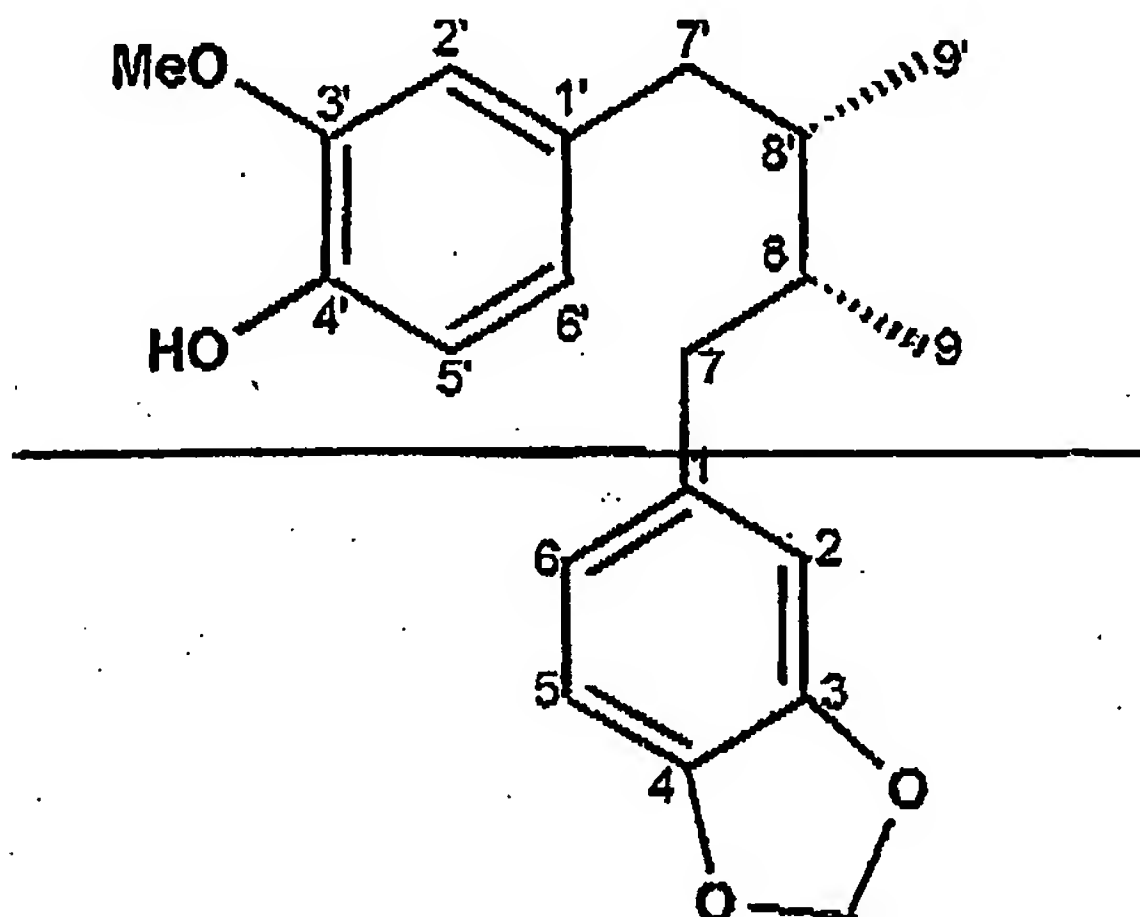
[Chemical formula 1]



3. (Canceled).

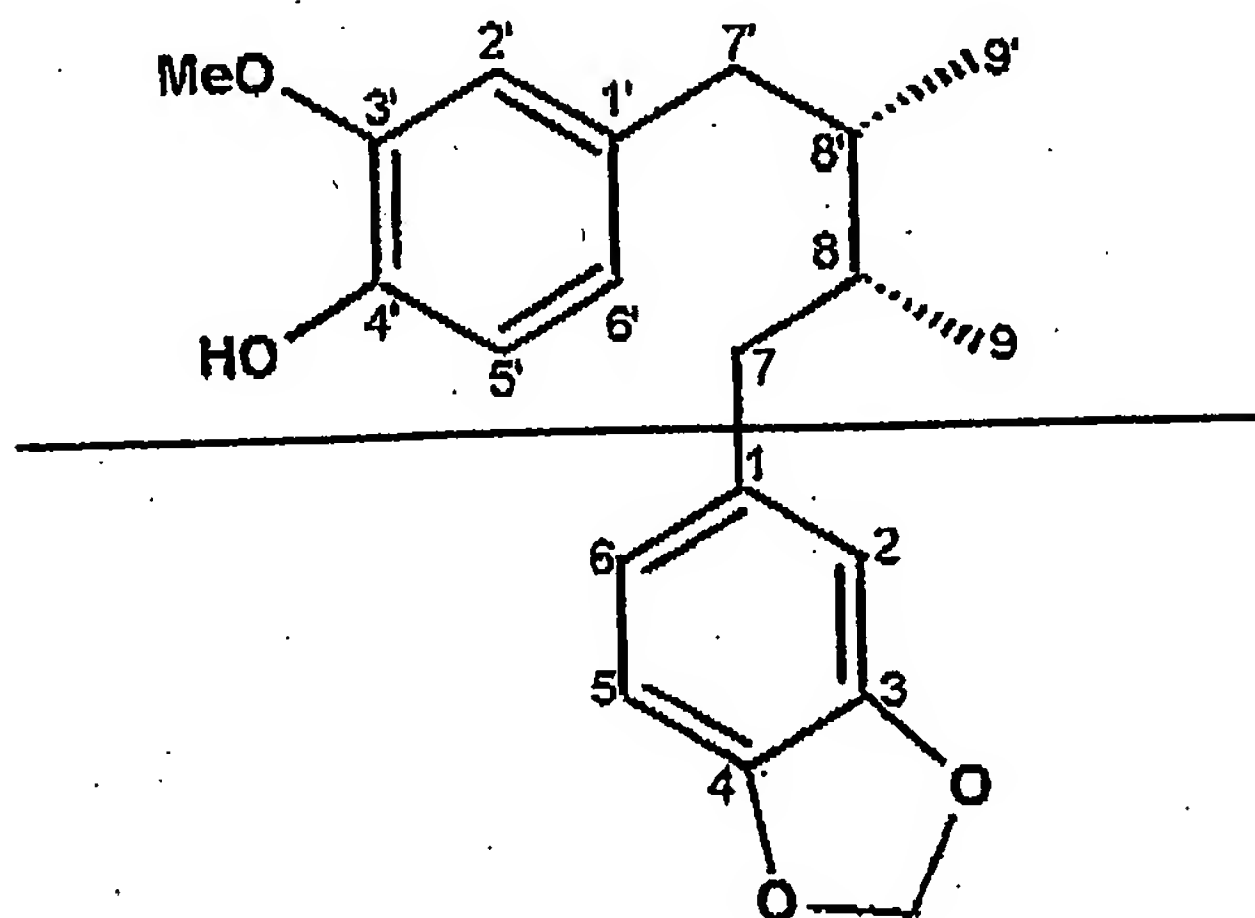
4. A method for inhibiting the growth of acne-causing bacteria selected from the group consisting of *Propionibacterium acnes*, *Staphylococcus epidermis* and *Staphylococcus aureus*, the method comprising administering an effective amount of ~~macelignan represented by Chemical formula 1~~ the composition according to claim 1 to a subject in need thereof:

~~[Chemical formula 1]~~



5. A method for treating acne, comprising administering an effective amount of ~~macelignan represented by Chemical formula 1~~ the composition according to claim 2, to a subject in need thereof:

~~[Chemical formula 1]~~



6. (Canceled).

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)